## INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA NOTICE 513 OF 2017



INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA (ICASA)
NOTICE OF ERRATUM IN RESPECT OF INVITATION TO APPLY ("ITA") FOR
INDIVIDUAL COMMERCIAL FREE-TO-AIR TELEVISION BROADCASTING
SERVICE LICENCE(S) AND THE APPLICABLE RADIO FREQUENCY SPECTRUM
LICENCE (MUX 3 FREQUENCIES)

- The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("the Authority")
  hereby issues an erratum to Government Gazette No: 40652 published on 28
  February 2017.
- 2. The Authority published an Invitation To Apply (ITA) for Individual Commercial Television Free To Air Broadcasting Service Licence(s) and the applicable Radio Frequency Spectrum Licence (MUX 3 Frequencies). This was done in terms of Sections 9 and 31(3)(a) of the Electronic Communications Act No.36 of 2005, as amended, read with Regulation 7 of the Radio Frequency Spectrum Regulations, 2015, as amended by Government Gazettes No. 38754 of 2015 and No. 40436 of 2016 for the provision of free -to-air television broadcasting services ("the Radio Frequency Spectrum Regulations").
- 3. The Authority hereby issues an erratum on Schedules D and E of the ITA to clarify the Evaluation Criteria.
- 4. All enquiries should be directed to the Project Manager: Ms Fikile Hlongwane on 011 566 3197 or FHlongwane@icasa.org.za

RUBBEN MOHLALOGA ACTING CHAIRPERSON The ITA for Individual Commercial Television Free To Air Broadcasting Service Licence and the applicable MUX 3 Frequencies is hereby amended by the replacement of Schedule D, and paragraph 13 of Schedule E to read as follows:

## SCHEDULE D: EVALUATION CRITERIA: PHASE 1 - CONSIDERATION OF THE APPLICATIONS FOR AN INDIVIDUAL COMMERCIAL FREE TO AIR TELEVISION BROADCASTING SERVICE LICENCE

Item	Criteria Description	Weight
PREQUALIFICATION		
	Compliance with ITA requirements is mandatory.	
	Failure to comply with any of the requirements of the ITA, the	
	provisions of the Act and/or relevant Regulations will render the	
	application subject to disqualification.	
	A minimum of 30% equity ownership held by Historically	
	Disadvantaged Groups (HDGs) is mandatory.	
FUNCTIONALITY		
1.	Market research: Demand, Need and Support of the proposed	35
	service	
2.	Viability of the business plan and financial means of the	35
	Applicant	
3.	Business acumen, capability, expertise and experience of the	30
	Applicant and its employees particularly with respect to	
	broadcasting	
	Total	100

- i. Applicants will be evaluated on functionality as per the weightings above.
- ii. As such, this will be a competitive process which will result in only *one* successful Applicant.
- iii. In order to be awarded an Individual Commercial Free to Air Broadcasting Service Licence and proceed to Phase: 2 Consideration for a Radio Frequency Spectrum Licence for MUX 3 Frequencies, the successful Applicant needs to:
  - a. Comply with all the mandatory prequalification criteria outlined above;
  - b. Score a minimum of 60 on functionality; and
  - c. Have the highest score on functionality.

## SCHEDULE E -RADIO FREQUENCY SPECTRUM APPLICATIONS

13. The successful applicant will be assigned 55% of MUX 3 capacity by the Authority for the provision of a Commercial Free To Air Television Broadcasting Service.